



# LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY REPORT

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# **FIRST 5 CALIFORNIA**

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## **SPONSORED AND CO-SPONSORED LEGISLATION BY FIRST 5 CALIFORNIA**

### **Statutes of 2005**

<b>BILL #</b>		
<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>CHAPTER</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>
AB 109 (Chan)	284	Requires county commissions to adopt policies and procedures related to conflict of interest and contracting practices.
SB 35 (Florez)	243	Requires each county commission to submit an audit report to the state commission on its functions during preceding year. Authorizes the state commission to withhold funds from county commissions if data is not reported properly. Requires state and county commissions to hold public hearings to discuss audit report findings.

### **Statutes of 2003**

<b>BILL #</b>		
<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>CHAPTER</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>
AB 179 (Chan)	378	Allows the California Children and Families Commission to be known as First 5 California. Changes due date for the Annual Report to the Legislature.

### **Statutes of 2002**

<b>BILL #</b>		
<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>CHAPTER</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>
AB 2800 (Chan)	245	Authorizes the California Children and Families Commission to expend funds from its trust fund accounts for school readiness. Authorizes the state commission to allocate funds to county commissions.

### **Statutes of 2001**

<b>BILL #</b>		
<b>AUTHOR</b>	<b>CHAPTER</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>
AB 734 (Chan)	322	Authorizes expenditures to inform the public on cessation of tobacco, alcohol and drug use by pregnant women. Allows the California Children and Families Commission to be identified as the California Children and Families Partnership for purposes of mass media communications and statewide dissemination of public information and educational materials.

AB 735 (Chan)	101	Clarifies the application of conflict of interest provisions for County Children and Families Commissions.
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### **Statutes of 2000**

<b>BILL # AUTHOR</b>	<b>CHAPTER</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>
AB 1910 (Migden)	150	Specifies the powers, duties and structure of county commissions. Authorizes the state commission to transfer unexpended funds from its Administrative Account.

### **Statutes of 1999**

<b>BILL # AUTHOR</b>	<b>CHAPTER</b>	<b>SUBJECT</b>
AB 1576 (AHEALTH)	126	Renames the California Children and Families "First" Program as the California Children and Families Program. Clarifies "relevant county" for purposes of allocating Proposition 10 revenues.
SB 689 (Johnston)	349	Clarifies conflict of interest requirements for county employees who serve on County Children and Families Commissions.

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AB 2284 (Jones)	Public Health: Foster Children	SUPPORT	Failed Passage SAPPR	25
AB 2513 (Pavley)	Pupils: Autism: Training and Information	SUPPORT	Chapter 783 Statutes of 2006	26
AB 2651 (Jones)	Newborn Hearing Screening	SUPPORT	Chapter 335 Statutes of 2006	26
AB 2932 (Chan)	California Children & Families Program: Clean-Up Bill	SUPPORT	Chapter 111 Statutes of 2006	27
AB 3071 (Chan)	Dental Disease Prevention Programs	SUPPORT	Failed Passage Withdrawn from Enrollment	27
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AB 379 (Koretz)	Smoking in Vehicles with Minor Passengers	Health	Failed Passage Nonconcurrency of Amendments	15
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## **SUMMARY DESCRIPTIONS OF BILLS RELEVANT TO FIRST 5 CALIFORNIA - (SIGNED, VETOED OR FAILED)**

- AB 58                    NUNEZ (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)  
EDUCATION FACILITIES BOND ACT**  
AB 58, sponsored by the author, would authorize a \$9 billion general obligation education bond to enact the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006. The bill would become operative only if approved by voters at the November 7, 2006, statewide general election and would make changes on how Proposition 55 education bond funds are allocated.
- AB 66                    PAVLEY (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)  
KINDERGARTEN: AGE OF ADMISSION**  
AB 66, sponsored by the author, would authorize a school district to operate a two-year kindergarten program at one or more schools. Children would be admitted into either a one- or two-year program dependent upon their age and readiness for school as assessed by the school and with the approval of the child's parent or guardian.
- AB 94                    HAYNES (FAILED ASSEMBLY BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS, 2005)  
AGENCY FISCAL REPORTS**  
AB 94, sponsored by the author, would require state agencies, boards, commissions, departments and offices to prepare reports for the Legislature that provide details on their financial activities beginning with fiscal year 2000-01.
- AB 109                  CHAN (CHAPTER 284, STATUTES OF 2005)  
PROPOSITION 10: CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND OUTCOME MEASURES**  
AB 109, sponsored by First 5 California, requires county commissions to adopt policies and procedures related to conflict of interest and contracting practices to improve the process by which counties allocate funds and limit administrative costs in accordance with state guidelines, including the salaries and benefits of county commission employees. The bill requires county commissions to measure outcomes of county funded programs and review that information as part of the public review of its county strategic plan.
- AB 122                  SPITZER (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)  
FAMILY DAY CARE**  
AB 122, sponsored by the author, would require family day care providers to submit insurance-related affidavits to the Department of Social Services demonstrating compliance with law regarding possession of liability insurance. The bill would require providers to affirm that either it carries liability insurance or that it has informed each child's parent that the provider does not carry insurance or a bond.
- AB 127                  NUNEZ (CHAPTER 35, STATUTES OF 2006)  
EDUCATION FACILITIES BOND ACT**  
AB 127, sponsored by the author, along with Proposition 1D approved by voters in the November 2006, enacts the Kindergarten-University Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2006 to authorize \$10 billion of state general obligation bonds to provide aid to school districts, county superintendents of schools, county boards of education, and higher education to construct and modernize education facilities. The bill allows the proceeds of any bond act approved on or before January 1, 2006,

that is designated for joint-use facilities, to be used for other related school facilities projects.

**AB 131 COMMITTEE ON BUDGET (CHAPTER 80, STATUTES OF 2005)  
OMNIBUS HEALTH BUDGET TRAILER BILL**

AB 131, sponsored by the Assembly Budget Committee, authorizes counties to temporarily enroll children into no-cost Medi-Cal if a child is deemed eligible for the Healthy Families Program. The bill provides up to 60 days of coverage while a child awaits enrollment into the Healthy Families Program. The Budget Bill contains a total increase of \$1.2 million (General Fund) for this purpose.

**AB 171 YEE (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)  
PUPILS: LEARNING SUPPORT SYSTEM**

AB 171, sponsored by the author, would establish the Comprehensive Pupil Learning Support System, a pilot program to increase the success of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 to reduce the achievement gap and ensure that each pupil will be a productive and responsible learner and citizen. The bill would require the California Department of Education to administer and implement the program.

**AB 172 CHAN (CHAPTER 211, STATUTES OF 2006)  
CHILD CARE: STATE PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS**

AB 172, sponsored by Children Now, appropriates \$50 million identified in the 2006 Budget Act for preschool, child development and family literacy programs and preschool staff training and development. Funded programs target the attendance area of elementary schools in deciles 1 to 3. The bill requires the State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI) to conduct an evaluation on those programs to ensure funds are well spent. It also requires the SSPI to encourage participating providers to offer full-day services through a combination of part-day preschool slots and part-day general child care and development programs.

**AB 264 CHAN (VETOED, 2006)  
HEALTH CARE SERVICE PLANS: PEDIATRIC ASTHMA**

AB 264, sponsored by the American Lung Association, would require a health care service plan to contract to cover outpatient training and education necessary to use the medications and devices prescribed for the treatment of pediatric asthma.

**AB 291 KORETZ (FAILED ASSEMBLY HEALTH, 2006)  
POSTPARTUM MOOD AND ANXIETY DISORDERS: SCREENING**

AB 291, sponsored by the author, would require the Department of Health Services to prepare an information sheet on postpartum mood and anxiety disorders. The bill would require health care providers to provide a copy of the information sheet to pregnant women during gestation or upon delivery of an infant.

**AB 319 CHAN (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)  
PHthalATES AND BISPHENOL-A IN CHILDREN'S PRODUCTS**

AB 319, sponsored by Environment California, would prohibit the use of Bisphenol-A and phthalates, which have been shown to have hormone-disrupting effects, in toys and products designed for babies and children under three years of age.

**AB 379 KORETZ (FAILED - NONCONCURRENCE OF AMENDMENTS, 2006)  
SMOKING IN VEHICLES WITH MINOR PASSENGERS**

AB 379, sponsored by the author, would prohibit and make it an infraction punishable for a person to smoke a pipe, cigar, or cigarette in a vehicle, whether in

motion or at rest, in which there is a child passenger who is required to be secured in a child passenger restraining system.

**AB 507      DAUCHER (FAILED SENATE PUBLIC SAFETY, 2005)  
CHILD CARE PROVIDERS: CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS**

AB 507, sponsored by the author, would require a health club studio to perform a criminal history background check on any person 18 years of age or older who provides child care at the health studio.

**AB 576      WOLK (CHAPTER 329, STATUTES OF 2006)  
IMMUNIZATIONS**

AB 576, sponsored by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the California Coalition for Childhood Immunization, allows a patient's physician to maintain access to immunization information for the purpose of patient care or protecting the public health. The bill allows the local health department and the Department of Health Services (DHS) to maintain access to this information for the purpose of protecting the public health. The bill also allows local health departments and DHS to share immunization information with a state, local health department or health care provider, unless the patient, or parent/guardian of the patient, refuses to allow the information to be shared.

**AB 616      VARGAS (FAILED - HELD IN SENATE RULES, 2005)  
PUBLIC BUILDINGS: SMOKING AREAS**

AB 616, sponsored by the author, would prohibit persons from smoking any tobacco product in an outdoor area enclosed on at least 4 sides by a state public building or buildings with certain exceptions.

**AB 617      BENOIT (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)  
RATING CHILD DAY CARE FACILITIES**

AB 617, sponsored by the author, would require the Department of Social Services to convene a workgroup to develop a proposal for a rating system for licensed child care in California by April 1, 2006.

**AB 624      MONTANEZ (VETOED, 2005)  
MEDI-CAL, HEALTHY FAMILIES AND CHDP PROGRAMS:  
ELECTRONIC ENROLLMENT**

AB 624, sponsored by Maternal and Child Health Access, would require the Department of Health Services and the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board, to provide a process by July 1, 2007, to simultaneously pre-enroll and apply for the enrollment of a child into the Healthy Families or Medi-Cal programs.

**AB 633      BENOIT (CHAPTER 545, STATUTES OF 2006)  
CHILD DAY CARE FACILITY: LICENSING**

AB 633, sponsored by the author, requires licensed child day care facilities to make specified documents accessible to the public pertaining to a facility visit, a substantiated complaint investigation, a conference with a local licensing agency and the licensee in which issues of noncompliance are discussed, or a copy of an accusation indicating the licensing agency's intent to revoke the facility's license.

- AB 658**      **LIU (FAILED PASSAGE ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**WOMEN INMATES**  
AB 658, sponsored by the author, would create a pilot program to expand options for incarcerated non-violent women. Those options would include housing women closer to family to improve the outcomes of their children.
- AB 680**      **CHAN (CHAPTER 706, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS**  
AB 680, sponsored by the author, requires the California Department of Education to monitor public schools at which 15% or more of the pupils speak a primary language other than English. The bill requires all notices, reports, statements or records sent to the parent or guardian of any such pupil, be written and responded to in that primary language.
- AB 772**      **CHAN (VETOED, 2005)**  
**CALIFORNIA HEALTHY KIDS INSURANCE PROGRAM**  
AB 772, sponsored by 100% Campaign and PICO California, would create the California Healthy Kids Insurance Program that would bring Medi-Cal for children and Healthy Families together under a single program. The bill would expand eligibility for children's health programs, by raising the eligibility ceiling from 250 percent to 300 percent of the federal poverty level.
- AB 788**      **MONTANEZ (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**LICENSED DAY CARE PROVIDERS: CAREER LADDER PILOT PROJECT**  
AB 788, sponsored by the author, would create a three-year child care career ladder pilot project, administered by the California Department of Education, to provide continuing education and training for licensed family day care providers.
- AB 794**      **CHU (CHAPTER 23, STATUTES OF 2005)**  
**HEALTH CARE FUNDING: ACCESS FOR INFANTS AND MOTHERS**  
AB 794, sponsored by the author, permits the Department of Health Services and the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board to accept or use federal moneys allocated under the State Children's Health Insurance Program to fund specified services to women under the Medi-Cal and Access for Infants and Mothers Program.
- AB 892**      **COGDILL (CHAPTER 512, STATUTES OF 2005)**  
**CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO PRODUCT TAX**  
AB 890, sponsored by the author, provides the Board of Equalization (BOE) investigators with an additional tool to verify taxes were paid on cigarette and tobacco products on a retailer's shelf. The bill allows distributors and wholesalers the option of including a statement that all cigarette and tobacco product taxes are included in the total amount of the invoice or the actual amount of excise tax due to BOE for the purpose of showing that tax was paid on such products.
- AB 927**      **MULLIN (VETOED, 2005)**  
**STATE PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS**  
AB 927, sponsored by the author, would consolidate various existing full-day child development programs under the full-day preschools program, and require both part-day and full-day programs to incorporate existing State Preschool and General Child Care and Development components.

- AB 1032 JONES (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**CHILD CARE: PRESCHOOL TEACHERS: PROFESSIONAL LEARNING**  
 AB 1032, sponsored by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI), would require the SSPI to develop preschool learning standards and establish the Preschool Teacher Instructional Support Grant Program. It would provide state funded preschool, child care and development and family literacy programs serving preschool age children, with instructional support grants to provide training for teachers and classroom aides on preschool learning standards.
- AB 1077 CHAN (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**PUPIL HEALTH: ORAL HEALTH ASSESSMENTS**  
 AB 1077, sponsored by the California Dental Association, would require a public school pupil to present proof of having received, while in kindergarten, 2nd and 6th grades, an oral health assessment by a licensed or registered dental health professional before January 15th of that school year.
- AB 1085 RUSKIN (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**COUNTY HEALTH INITIATIVE ELIGIBILITY**  
 AB 1085, sponsored by San Mateo County, would increase the income eligibility criteria for children enrolling in a County Health Initiative from 300 percent to 400 percent of the federal poverty level.
- AB 1095 MULLIN (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**CENTER-BASED CHILD CARE PROGRAMS: SCHEDULE: STAFF TRAINING**  
 AB 1095, sponsored by the California Child Development Administrators Association, would require the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to establish guidelines for center-based programs to provide enrolled families with a schedule of days the center will be open for operation. Programs are required to provide to parents the schedule and notice of any change to that schedule in sufficient time to enable parents to make alternative arrangements for days the program is closed. The bill would authorize a center-based child care program, contracting with the California Department of Education, to schedule up to two days of staff training using state reimbursement funding.
- AB 1111 FROMMER (AMENDED TO URBAN PARK ACT, 2005)**  
**HEALTH CARE COVERAGE**  
 AB 1111, sponsored by 100% Campaign and PICO California, would create the California Healthy Kids Fund in the State Treasury, from which public and private contributions would be used to implement a program to provide health coverage pursuant to the California Healthy Kids Insurance Program and provide transitional assistance to local children's health initiatives and pilot programs.
- AB 1137 DYMALLY (FAILED SENATE EDUCATION, 2006)**  
**CHILD CARE CENTERS: ASTHMA AND ANAPHYLACTIC EMERGENCIES**  
 AB 1137, sponsored by the author, would expand and modify the authorization for school and licensed child care center staff to administer an epinephrine auto-injector to include albuterol for asthma. The bill would require the California Department of Education to provide educational materials to each local education agency regarding the identification of and appropriate response to a child's, pupil's, or staff member's asthma or anaphylactic emergency.

- AB 1144 HARMAN (CHAPTER 470, STATUTES OF 2006)  
PLAYGROUND SAFETY STANDARDS**  
AB 1144, sponsored by the California Park and Recreation Society, repeals the laws governing playground safety standards on January 1, 2008. The bill requires the Department of Social Services to convene a working group to make recommendations to the Legislature for minimum safety requirements for playgrounds.
- AB 1246 WOLK (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)  
PRESCHOOL: LEARNING STANDARDS**  
AB 1246, sponsored by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SSPI), would require the SSPI, in consultation with experts from the field of early childhood education and linguistics, parents, early childhood researchers, preschool practitioners, and individuals who have experience working with non-native English-speaking preschool-age children, to develop preschool learning standards and curriculum guidelines in the areas of preliteracy/reading/language arts, prenumeracy/mathematics, history/social science, which includes social and emotion development, and science. The bill would require the SSPI to establish and convene a panel every seven years to review the extent to which the learning standards reflect the most current research on early childhood learning and to determine the usefulness of the learning standards to parents and preschool practitioners.
- AB 1254 COTO (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)  
PRESCHOOL TEACHERS: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY**  
AB 1254, sponsored by the author, would provide grants to specified entities for the development and maintenance of training programs and career ladder opportunities for teachers who provide instruction to preschool children who are limited-English proficient. The bill would specify the intent of the Legislature with regard to the professional development of preschool teachers to provide instruction to limited-English-proficient children.
- AB 1285 MONTANEZ (CHAPTER 650, STATUTES OF 2006)  
CHILD CARE SERVICES**  
AB 1285, sponsored by Los Angeles County, deletes the authorization for the allocation of moneys to local child care and development planning councils for the purpose of retaining qualified child care employees in state-subsidized child care centers, as specified in the Budget Act of 2000. The bill authorizes these funds to be used in the County of Los Angeles to retain qualified persons working in licensed child care programs that serve a majority of children who receive subsidized child care services, including family day care homes.
- AB 1394 RUNNER (FAILED ASSEMBLY EDUCATION, 2005)  
KINDERGARTEN: AGE OF ADMISSION**  
AB 1394, sponsored by the author, would require that a child be admitted to a kindergarten at the beginning of a school year, or at any time later in the same year, if the child will have his or her 5<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before September 1 of that school year. The bill would also require that a child be admitted to the 1<sup>st</sup> grade of an elementary school during the first month of a school year if the child will have his or her 6<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before September 1 of that school year. The bill would state the intent of the Legislature to appropriate any resulting savings to fund specified child care and development programs.

- AB 1396      GARCIA (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**HEALTHY FAMILIES AND MEDI-CAL PROGRAMS: OUTREACH ASSISTANCE**  
AB 1396, sponsored by the California Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board, would appropriate \$1.3 million from the General Fund and \$1.8 million from the Federal Trust Fund to the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board in order to restore an application assistance program for the Healthy Families and Medi-Cal programs.
- AB 1433      EMMERSON (CHAPTER 413, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**PUPIL HEALTH: ORAL HEALTH ASSESSMENT**  
AB 1433, sponsored by the California Public Securities Association, requires a pupil attending a public school while in kindergarten or first grade to present proof, no later than May 31 of the school year, of having received an oral health assessment by a licensed or registered dental health professional no earlier than 12 months prior to the initial enrollment date of the pupil.
- AB 1478      FROMMER (VETOED, 2006)**  
**DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**  
AB 1478, sponsored by the author, would require the Department of Developmental Services, in consultation with specified state departments, to develop guidelines for the treatment of autism spectrum disorders and to disseminate the information to parents.
- AB 1483      ARAMBULA (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**PUPIL TESTING: ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS**  
AB 1483, sponsored by the author, would require that tests assessing the English language development of pupils whose primary language is other than English have sufficient range to assess pupils in kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade. The would require that tests be assessed in English listening, speaking, and early literacy skills for a period of three years beginning after the initial administration of the assessment or until July 1, 2012, whichever occurs first.
- AB 1565      PAVLEY (VETOED, 2005)**  
**CHILD DAY CARE FACILITIES: STAR QUALITY RATING SYSTEM**  
AB 1565, sponsored by the author, would require the California Department of Education to develop and oversee a contract for the study of the development, implementation and evaluation of the effectiveness of a quality rating system for child day care centers and family day care homes. The bill would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to select an advisory group, which would include First 5 California, to consult with the contractor about all aspects of the study and to solicit public input.
- AB 1601      LAIRD (VETOED, 2006)**  
**CHILD CARE PROVIDERS: REGISTRATION AND BACKGROUND CHECKS**  
AB 1601, sponsored by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, would require the Department of Social Services and the California Department of Education, by July 1, 2007, in coordination with specified entities, to adopt and implement regulations to require license-exempt child care providers to submit a TrustLine application within 14 days of the date the provider first began to provide child care services.

- AB 1612      PAVLEY (AMENDED TO WORKER'S COMPENSATION, 2006)  
CIGARETTE POLLUTION AND LITTER PREVENTION ACT**  
AB 1612, sponsored by the American Lung and Heart Associations, would create the Cigarette Pollution Prevention and Litter Fund to be collected by the Board of Equalization. It would require, beginning July 1, 2006, cigarette manufacturers to pay a fee for each pack of cigarettes sold in the state. The funds collected would be expended by the Department of Conservation and the Department of Health Services and used to inform the public about the impacts of cigarette pollution and litter, and fund smoking prevention and cessation programs that will result in reduced cigarette litter.
- AB 1670      NATION (FAILED ASSEMBLY HEALTH, 2005)  
HEALTH CARE COVERAGE**  
AB 1670, sponsored by the author, would impose an individual mandate on all California residents to have minimum health care coverage for themselves and their dependents. The bill would require the Secretary of the Health and Human Services Agency to work in conjunction with counties to establish a purchasing pool through which an essential benefits plan, developed by the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board and the Department of Managed Health Care, would be made available.
- AB 1671      RICHMAN (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)  
CAL-HEALTH ACT**  
AB 1671, sponsored by the author, would require the Department of Health Services (DHS) to establish an enrollment and retention program, known as Cal-Health, to be a single point of entry for all state and local governmental health programs and to use electronic enrollment to the maximum extent possible. The bill would permit DHS to use government databases to locate uninsured persons who may be eligible for health programs. The bill states legislative intent for Cal-Health to work with hospitals, preschools, and elementary and secondary schools, and others to ensure that individuals and children already eligible for these programs enroll and receive benefits.
- AB 1680      DAUCHER (FAILED ASSEMBLY EDUCATION, 2005)  
TWO-YEAR KINDERGARTEN PROGRAM**  
AB 1680, sponsored by the author, would authorize a school district to operate a two-year kindergarten program, or a three-year combined kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade program at one or more schools in the district. The program would prioritize the admission of children whose 5<sup>th</sup> birthday falls between September 1 and December 2 of the school year.
- AB 1701      BASS (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)  
BIRTH DEFECTS MONITORING PROGRAM**  
AB 1701, sponsored by the March of Dimes, would require the assessment of an additional \$2 for every certified copy of a death certificate and requires the funds from the fee to be deposited into the Birth Defects Monitoring Account to monitor and find the causes of birth defects in order to develop knowledge about how to lower infant mortality rates.
- AB 1745      CHAN (CHAPTER 330, STATUTES OF 2006)  
MEDI-CAL BENEFIT: PEDIATRIC PALLIATIVE CARE**  
AB 1745, sponsored by the Children's Hospice and Palliative Care Coalition, requires the Department of Health Services (DHS) to develop, as a pilot project, a



pediatric palliative care benefit to evaluate whether, and to what extent, such a benefit should be offered under the Medi-Cal program. The bill specifies eligibility requirements and allows DHS to further limit the population served by the project to make the above evaluation.

- AB 1749      HORTON (CHAPTER 501, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS: LICENSING REQUIREMENTS**  
AB 1749, sponsored by the Board of Equalization (BOE), makes various technical changes to the California Cigarette and Tobacco Products Licensing Act of 2003 (Act). The bill requires every manufacturer or importer of tobacco products to obtain and maintain a license under the Act in order to engage in the sale of tobacco products. The bill requires these manufacturers or importers to provide the board with specified information, submit a license application to BOE, pay a one-time license fee and submit a monthly report to BOE providing specified information regarding sales of tobacco products. The bill also prohibits a retailer, wholesaler, or importer from purchasing cigarettes or tobacco products from any person who is not licensed or whose license has been suspended or revoked.
- AB 1801      ASSEMBLY BUDGET COMMITTEE (CHAPTER 47, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**BUDGET ACT OF 2006**  
AB 1801, sponsored by the Assembly Budget Committee, enacts statutory changes related to the Budget Act of 2006.
- AB 1851      COTO (CHAPTER 331, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAM APPLICATION**  
AB 1851, sponsored by the California Association of Health Plans, deletes the inoperative date of January 1, 2006, of provisions that authorize a participating health, dental, or vision plan to provide application assistance directly to an applicant under certain conditions, including when the assistance is provided upon referral from a government agency, school or school district.
- AB 1873      TORRICO (VETOED, 2006)**  
**SAFE SURRENDER OF INFANTS**  
AB 1873, sponsored by the author, would modify safe-surrender sites to accept children who are 30 days old or younger. The bill would specify that a safe-surrender site and its personnel have no liability for a surrendered child prior to taking actual physical custody of the child.
- AB 1948      PAVLEY (CHAPTER 332, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**MEDI-CAL, HEALTHY FAMILIES AND CHDP PROGRAMS:**  
**ELECTRONIC ENROLLMENT**  
AB 1948, sponsored by Maternal and Child Health Access, would require the Department of Health Services to conduct, or contract for the conducting of, a feasible study on modifying the electronic application process to allow a person applying on behalf of a child the option to simultaneously pre-enroll and apply for enrollment in the Medi-Cal program or the Healthy Families Program over the Internet without submitting a followup paper application.
- AB 1952      NATION (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**HEALTH CARE COVERAGE**  
AB 1952, sponsored by the author, would establish the California Essential Health Benefits Program that would be managed by the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board (MRMIB). The bill would require MRMIB to offer an essential benefit plan to

employees without coverage through their employment and to self-employed and unemployed individuals. The bill would specify requirements for health care service plans and health insurers participating in the program and would make those requirements applicable to all health care service plans and health insurers providing benefits to state residents.

**AB 1988**

**COTO (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS: PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT**

AB 1988, sponsored by the author, would require the Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CTC) to develop a 10-hour English language learner professional development model. The bill would require CTC, in consultation with the California Department of Education, on or before September 1, 2008, to adopt language arts and reading text books for kindergarten and grades 1 through 8 that are designed to enhance skills in English language development simultaneously with English language arts.

**AB 2001**

**COGDILL (CHAPTER 70, STATUTES OF 2006)  
CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO PRODUCTS**

AB 2001, sponsored by the California Distributors Association, deletes the repeal dates and extends the operation of the deferred-payment option allowing a tobacco distributor to make twice monthly payments and furnish a security deposit of at least 50% for stamps and meter register settings.

**AB 2003**

**YEE (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)  
PUPILS: LEARNING SUPPORT SYSTEM**

AB 2003, sponsored by the author, would establish the Comprehensive Pupil Learning Support System, a pilot program to increase the success of the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 in reducing the achievement gap and to ensure that each pupil will be a productive and responsible learner and citizen. The bill would require the California Department of Education (CDE) to administer and implement the program through funds that are made available to the CDE for the purposes of the program.

**AB 2046**

**COTO (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)  
FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN**

AB 2046, sponsored by the author, would require that, commencing with the 2008-09 school year, school districts offering kindergarten begin to implement a full-day kindergarten program. The bill would require school districts to provide full-day kindergarten in at least 1/3 of the schools that offer kindergarten. The bill would provide that a minimum school day for full-day kindergarten is 230 minutes.

**AB 2065**

**LIU (VETOED, 2006)  
SCHOOL LIBRARIES: STANDARDS**

AB 2065, sponsored by the author, would, subject to the availability of funds appropriated in the annual Budget Act for this purpose, require the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop, and the Board of Education to adopt, school library content standards. The bill would require the school library content standards to include information on literacy skills that support academic content standards adopted by the Board.

- AB 2108      EVANS (VETOED, 2006)**  
**VEHICLES: CHILD PASSENGERS**  
 AB 2108, co-sponsored by the California Coalition for Children's Safety and Health, Safety Center, and Safe Kids, would require a child who is under 8 years of age be secured in a rear seat in an appropriate child passenger restraint system. The bill would require a passenger in a motor vehicle, between the ages of 8 and 16 years, to be secured in an appropriate child passenger restraint system or a safety belt.
- AB 2117      COTO (CHAPTER 561, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER: PILOT PROJECT**  
 AB 2117, sponsored by the author, would require the California Department of Education to establish and administer a competitive grant pilot project to be conducted during the 2007-08 to 2009-10 school years to identify existing best practices regarding topics including, but not limited to, curriculum, instruction, and staff development for teaching English language learners and promoting English language acquisition and development.
- AB 2121      NAVA (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**FARM FRESH SCHOOLS PROGRAM**  
 AB 2121, co-sponsored by the Community Alliance with Family Farmers and Healthy Eating Lifestyle Principles, Inc., would establish the Farm Fresh Schools Program, which would be intended to reduce obesity, improve nutrition and public health, and strengthen local and regional agricultural economies by increasing access to and promoting the consumption of locally and regionally grown fruits and vegetables in schools. In addition, the bill would increase access to physical activities and programs that promote pupil wellness.
- AB 2141      JONES (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**PARENT-CHILD COMMUNICATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**  
 AB 2141, co-sponsored by the National Center on Youth Law and the Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California, would establish the Parent-Child Communication Assistance Program within the Department of Health Services, with the goal of decreasing teenage pregnancies through programs that equip parents, guardians, and parenting adults with the knowledge, understanding, and communication skills necessary to talk to their children about making responsible decisions regarding at-risk sexual behavior, including unintended pregnancies and sexually transmitted diseases.
- AB 2150      MCCARTHY (FAILED - PULLED FROM POLICY COMMITTEE, 2006)**  
**CALIFORNIA READY TO START PRESCHOOL PROGRAM**  
 AB 2150, sponsored by the author, would establish the California Ready to Start Program under the administration of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction for the purpose of providing a multiweek kindergarten course. The bill would reallocate funds from the Proposition 10 First 5 California Children and Families Commission's (CCFC's) Media and Administration Accounts (6% and 1% respectively) to the new program fund. The bill would also delete CCFC's authority to transfer unused funds in the Administrative Account to the Unallocated Account.
- AB 2196      SPITZER (CHAPTER 208, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**CHILD DAY CARE INFORMATION: REGISTERED SEX OFFENDERS**  
 AB 2196, sponsored by the author, requires the notice posted by each child day care facility for parents and guardians to include information stating that the registered sex offender database is available to the public via a specified Internet

Web site maintained by the Department of Justice. The bill requires the licensee to provide a copy of the Family Child Care Home Notification of Parents' Rights prepared by the Department of Social Services, and grants the provider immunity from liability.

**AB 2226      GARCIA (CHAPTER 235, STATUTES OF 2006)  
DIABETES SCREENING**

AB 2226, sponsored by the author, makes findings and declarations relative to childhood obesity and diabetes. The bill requires, on and after July 1, 2010, each school district to provide a type 2 diabetes information sheet developed, by the California Department of Education, to the parent or legal guardian of incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade pupils. The bill states legislative intent that school districts, to the extent resources or funds are available, provide information to parents regarding locations where parents can receive services at free or reduced costs from public or private sources.

**AB 2248      COTO (VETOED, 2006)  
READING FIRST PLAN**

AB 2248, sponsored by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, would authorize eligible schools to receive further Reading First funding, and would require a process to improve the accountability, monitoring, and inclusion components in the California Reading First Plan in order to improve the effectiveness of reading instruction to pupils in kindergarten and grades 1-3.

**AB 2284      JONES (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)  
PUBLIC HEALTH: FOSTER CHILDREN**

AB 2284, sponsored by the Children's Advocacy Institute, would require a child under three years of age, who has been removed from his or her home as a result of abuse or neglect, to receive an annual preventive health assessment and a semiannual dental assessment for a child one year of age or older.

**AB 2317      KORETZ (VETOED, 2006)  
POSTPARTUM MOOD AND ANXIETY DISORDERS**

AB 2317, sponsored by the author, would require the Department of Health Services to conduct the Perinatal Mood and Anxiety Disorders (PMAD) Community Awareness Campaign to provide awareness, assistance, and information regarding PMAD and available services and treatment using television, print media, radio, Internet Web sites and other media where appropriate to pregnant women and new mothers.

**AB 2328      HAYNES (FAILED ASSEMBLY BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONS, 2006)  
AGENCY FISCAL REPORTS**

AB 2328, sponsored by the author, would require state agencies, boards, commissions, departments and offices to prepare reports for the Legislature that provide details on their financial activities, beginning with fiscal year 2000-01 and continuing indefinitely.

**AB 2377      CHAN (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)  
HEALTH CARE COVERAGE**

AB 2377, sponsored by the author, would authorize a county health initiative to apply for additional funding as available in the budget, to provide health insurance coverage to all children in families with incomes below 300 percent of the federal poverty level.

- AB 2450**      **RICHMAN (FAILED ASSEMBLY HEALTH, 2006)**  
**HEALTH CARE COVERAGE: CAL-HEALTH PROGRAM**  
 AB 2450, sponsored by the author, would enact the Cal-Health Act that would require the Department of Health Services to establish an enrollment and retention program to serve as a single point of entry, but not the exclusive method of enrollment and retention, for all health care programs offered by the state and local government agencies. The bill would impose an individual mandate on all California residents to have minimum health care coverage for themselves and their dependents.
- AB 2513**      **PAVLEY (CHAPTER 783, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**PUPILS: AUTISM: TRAINING AND INFORMATION**  
 AB 2513, sponsored by the Association of California School Administrators, requires the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to convene, with input from specified entities, an advisory committee to develop recommendations to improve California's public and nonpublic schools' services to children with autism.
- AB 2560**      **RIDLEY-THOMAS (CHAPTER 334, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**PUBLIC SCHOOL HEALTH CENTER SUPPORT PROGRAM**  
 AB 2560, sponsored by the California School Health Centers Association, requires the Department of Health Services (DHS), in cooperation with the California Department of Education, to establish a Public School Health Center Support Program to perform specified functions relating to the establishment, retention, or expansion of school health centers in California. The bill requires the DHS to establish standardized data collection procedures and collect specified data from school health centers on an ongoing basis.
- AB 2596**      **RUNNER, SHARON (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**KINDERGARTEN: AGE OF ADMISSION**  
 AB 2596, sponsored by the author, would revise the age of admission to kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade so that a child will have to be five years old by September 1 in order to attend kindergarten and six years old by September 1 in order to attend first grade (under current law a child entering kindergarten must turn five by December 2). This would be phased in over a three-year period. Any savings realized by the state as a result of the age change would be utilized to fund preschool programs operating within the attendance boundaries of a school ranked in deciles 1 to 3 of the Academic Performance Index (API) and to provide reimbursement for child care and development services for eligible families residing in a district that maintains a school ranked in deciles 1 to 3 of the API.
- AB 2608**      **ASSEMBLY HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**  
**(FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**CHILD CARE: ELIGIBILITY: TERMINATION OF SERVICES**  
 AB 2608, sponsored by the County of San Diego, would expand the Child Care and Development Services Act to permit the transfer of child care benefits for children in foster care who are placed with a new foster parent.
- AB 2651**      **JONES (CHAPTER 335, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**NEWBORN HEARING SCREENING**  
 AB 2651, sponsored by the March of Dimes, requires all general acute care hospitals, identified as licensed perinatal centers, to test infants at the time of birth for hearing loss.

- AB 2802      PAVLEY (VETOED, 2006)**  
**OPTIONAL EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION TEACHER CREDENTIAL**  
 AB 2802, sponsored by the author, would require the Commission on Teacher Credentialing to establish an optional early childhood education credential for kindergarten and grades 1 and 2 that is to be incorporated into the multiple subject teaching credential and would provide that the teaching authorization of an early childhood education credential is equivalent to the full multiple subject teaching credential.
- AB 2881      MULLIN (VETOED, 2006)**  
**STATE PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS**  
 AB 2881, sponsored by the author, would define “preschool services,” as part- or full-day educational programs for prekindergarten children 3 to 5 years in age. The bill would require the State Superintendent of Public Instruction to administer state part- and full-day preschool programs.
- AB 2932      CHAN (CHAPTER 111, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**CALIFORNIA CHILDREN AND FAMILIES PROGRAM**  
 AB 2932, sponsored by First 5 Association of California, clarifies the state laws regarding conflict of interest and contracting and procurement policies with which county commissions must comply.
- AB 3071      CHAN (FAILED - WITHDRAWN FROM ENROLLMENT, 2006)**  
**DENTAL DISEASE PREVENTION PROGRAMS**  
 AB 3071, sponsored by the Dental Health Foundation, would change existing provisions affecting the Community Dental Disease Prevention Program. It would require that the preventive and education programs be evidence-based and age-appropriate, and focused on the development of personal practices by preschool children including, but not limited to, supervised caries prevention treatment.
- ACR 17        KARNETTE (CHAPTER 26, STATUTES OF 2005)**  
**LANGUAGE AND CULTURAL PROGRAMS**  
 ACR 17, sponsored by the California Language Teachers Association, recognizes 2005 as the Year of Languages and encourages all educational communities to celebrate languages and cultures with meaningful pupil activities and programs that demonstrate learning and understanding the diversity of languages and cultures in California. The resolution urges awareness and support of quality language and cultural programs for all pupils in California schools.
- ACR 112      CHAN (CHAPTER 103, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**HEPATITIS B VACCINATION**  
 ACR 112, sponsored by the author, encourages the medical community, including physicians and school health personnel, to emphasize the need for completion of the 3-dose HBV vaccination series to their patients and parents of Asian and Pacific Islander elementary children. The bill encourages participation in HBV vaccination programs in California to target high-risk Asian and Pacific Islander children.
- ACR 114      COTO (CHAPTER 151, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**LEGISLATIVE TASK FORCE ON DIABETES AND OBESITY**  
 ACR 114, sponsored by the California State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, establishes a Legislative Task Force on Diabetes and Obesity, consisting of specified members, to study the factors contributing to the high rates of diabetes and obesity in Latinos, African-Americans,

Asian Pacific Islanders, and Native Americans in this country. The bill requires the task force to prepare a report recommending ways to reduce the incidence of those debilitating conditions in these ethnic groups.

**ACR 145      NAKANISHI (CHAPTER 108, STATUTES OF 2006)  
VISION SCREENING FOR MINORS**

ACR 145, sponsored by the California Academy of Ophthalmology, establishes a panel, no later than January 1, 2007, comprised of specified members, to study the state's existing vision screening and appraisal requirements for children upon enrollment or upon entering the 1<sup>st</sup> grade. The resolution requires the panel to recommend ways to improve those requirements, in order to ensure appropriate follow-up eye care and referrals that are being provided to children for the optimum physical development and scholastic performance.

**HR 21        CHAN (ADOPTED, 2005)  
CHILDREN'S VISION AND LEARNING**

HR 21, sponsored by the author, encourages parents, educators, school nurses and concerned adults to celebrate Children's Vision and Learning Month, August 2005, by recognizing the role good vision plays in learning.

**SB 23        MIGDEN (VETOED, 2005)  
HEALTHY FAMILIES AND MEDI-CAL PROGRAMS**

SB 23, sponsored by the author, would require the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board and the Department of Health Services to collaborate with the Employment Development Department to promote participation in the Healthy Families and Medi-Cal programs.

**SB 35        FLOREZ (CHAPTER 243, STATUTES OF 2005)  
PROPOSITION 10: COUNTY AUDITS AND ACCOUNTABILITY**

SB 35, co-sponsored by First 5 California, requires county commissions to submit to the state commission an audit report, including programmatic and administrative expenditures, and data on programs funded and populations served for all funded programs during the proceeding year. The bill authorizes the state commission to withhold funds that would otherwise be allocated to county commissions if the data is not properly reported. It requires the state commission, in its consolidated report to the Legislature each year, to aggregate expenditures on program areas funded by state and county commissions. The bill requires the State Controller to issue audit guidelines and associated quality control functions for county commissions. In addition SB 35 requires state and county commissions to hold public hearings to discuss audit report findings and allows the State Controller to recommend to the state commission that funds be withheld from any county commission that has not corrected its practices within six months of the audit.

**SB 38        ALQUIST (FAILED - HELD IN ASSEMBLY RULES, 2005)  
HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAM**

SB 38, sponsored by the Local Health Plans of California, states legislative intent to expand the income eligibility limit for the Healthy Families program from 250 percent to 300 percent of the federal poverty level to increase access to health care services to children whose family income is low to moderate.

- SB 72 COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW (VETOED, 2005)  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**  
SB 72, sponsored by the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, would require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to allocate funding to school districts to provide supplementary instructional materials for English learners in kindergarten and grades 1 through 12, for the purpose of accelerating those pupils as rapidly as possible toward grade level proficiency.
- SB 77 COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW  
(CHAPTER 38, STATUTES OF 2005)  
BUDGET ACT OF 2005**  
SB 77, sponsored by the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, enacts statutory changes related to the Budget Act of 2005.
- SB 80 COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW  
(CHAPTER 39, STATUTES OF 2005)  
BUDGET ACT OF 2005: REVISIONS**  
SB 80, sponsored by the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee, makes necessary revisions to the Budget Bill as proposed in SB 77. The bill amends the Budget Conference Report and together with the Conference Report serves as the Budget Act for the 2005-06 fiscal year.
- SB 116 DUTTON (CHAPTER 625, STATUTES OF 2005)  
ABANDONMENT OF NEWBORNS**  
SB 116, sponsored by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, deletes the sunset date of January 1, 2006, making the safe-surrender baby law, which provides a procedure for the safe surrender of a newborn, effective indefinitely.
- SB 246 FIGUEROA (CHAPTER 480, STATUTES OF 2006)  
HUMAN MILK**  
SB 246, sponsored by the author, requires a hospital that collects, processes, stores, or distributes human milk collected from a mother exclusively for her own child to comply with the most current standards established by the Human Milk Banking Association of North America until or unless the Department of Health Services approves alternative standards.
- SB 281 MALDONADO (CHAPTER 236, STATUTES OF 2005)  
CALIFORNIA FRESH START PILOT PROGRAM**  
SB 281, sponsored by the author, establishes, within the California Department of Education, the California Fresh Start Pilot Program in order to encourage public schools maintaining kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12 to provide fruits and vegetables that have not been deep fried to pupils in order to promote the consumption of nutritious fruits and vegetables by schoolage children.
- SB 368 ESCUTIA (CHAPTER 632, STATUTES OF 2006)  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE TUTORING**  
SB 368, sponsored by the author and Los Angeles Unified School District, requires the state to encourage family members and others to provide personal English language tutoring to children coming from backgrounds of limited English proficiency. The bill requires each school district to develop a plan to accomplish certain objectives relating to providing personal English language tutoring to children from backgrounds of limited English proficiency.



- SB 377      ORTIZ (CHAPTER 643, STATUTES OF 2005)**  
**MEDI-CAL BENEFITS: DENTAL SERVICES**  
 SB 377, sponsored by the Maternal and Child Health Access, requires the Department of Health Services to inform Denti-Cal and other Medi-Cal providers that prevention and treatment of dental and periodontal disease is a covered benefit for all pregnant beneficiaries.
- SB 400      KUEHL (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**TOBACCO LICENSING**  
 SB 400, sponsored by the American Heart Association and the American Lung Association, would amend the underage sales penalties that the Board of Equalization can levy against tobacco retailers for the purposes of the retail tobacco-licensing program.
- SB 437      ESCUTIA (CHAPTER 328, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**HEALTH CARE COVERAGE**  
 SB 437, sponsored by the 100% Campaign and PICO California Project, declares Legislative intent that all children in the state have health care coverage by December 1, 2010, and pilots a process of ensuring health care coverage continuity for low income children. The bill establishes the Healthy Families Presumptive Eligibility Program (HFPEP) to provide health care services to children who appear to meet the income requirements of Healthy Families and were receiving but are no longer eligible for Medi-Cal. HFPEP would operate for a period of three years, during which the Medi-Cal to Healthy Families Accelerated Enrollment Program would be suspended. The measure also allows program applicants to self certify their income and assets for eligibility redetermination.
- SB 454      ORTIZ (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**NUTRITION AND HEALTH COUNSELING**  
 SB 454, sponsored by the National Council of La Raza, would require the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board and the Department of Health Services to adopt standards to ensure that beneficiaries may request information and educational materials on nutrition and physical activity. The bill would provide that the information be culturally and linguistically appropriate.
- SB 456      RUNNER (FAILED SENATE HEALTH, 2005)**  
**ACCESS FOR INFANTS AND MOTHERS: FEDERAL FUNDING**  
 SB 456, sponsored by the author, would provide that federal funds allocated to the state under the State Children's Health Insurance Program would also be allowed to support the Access for Infants and Mothers Program and prenatal services provided through Medi-Cal.
- SB 458      SPEIER (CHAPTER 906, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**COUNTY ORGANIZED HEALTH SYSTEMS**  
 SB 458, sponsored by the author, allows a county board of supervisors to authorize a commission to provide healthy care delivery systems to individuals or groups in the service area, including, but not limited to, public agencies, private businesses, and uninsured or indigent persons.
- SB 479      LOWENTHAL (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**CHILDHOOD OBESITY MITIGATION**  
 SB 479, sponsored by the City of Long Beach, would require the Department of Health Services to establish the Childhood Obesity Mitigation Pilot Project in Long

Beach to test the effectiveness of public and private partnerships to mitigate the problem of childhood obesity.

**SB 500**

**KUEHL (CHAPTER 630, STATUTES OF 2006)  
PREGNANT AND PARENTING FOSTER YOUTH**

SB 500, sponsored by the Children's Law Center of Los Angeles and the County Welfare Directors Association of California, creates an option for teen foster parents to live with their children in foster homes. The bill requires a teen parent in foster care who has full or partial custody of their child to work with a social worker, to design a written shared responsibility plan intended to preserve and strengthen the teen parent family unit and to assist the teen parent in ultimately providing an independent safe and stable home for their child.

**SB 539**

**ASHBURN (FAILED ASSEMBLY HEALTH SERVICES, 2005)  
CALWORKS CHILD CARE PROGRAM**

SB 539, sponsored by the Kern County Superintendent of Schools, would specify that payment to a child care provider shall not commence until the Department of Social Services confirms that the child care provider is a registered child care TrustLine provider or is exempted from TrustLine registration. The bill would revise the circumstances that would require the payment to immediately cease.

**SB 564**

**TORLAKSON (FAILED SENATE REVENUE AND TAXATION, 2005)  
TOBACCO TAX: HEALTHY CHILDREN TRUST FUND**

SB 564, sponsored by the author, would impose an additional tax on the distribution of cigarettes at the rate of \$1.00 per package of cigarettes to create the California Healthy Children Trust Fund. The revenues collected from the additional tobacco tax would be allocated to fund health prevention programs and activities, including tobacco control, nutrition, obesity, diabetes, physical activity, childhood health, and to support research and treatment programs. The bill would allow the Board of Equalization to determine the reduction in tax revenues for existing programs from the imposition of a new tax and transfers funds for "backfill" from the newly created California Healthy Children Trust Fund to the Cigarette and Tobacco Products Surtax Fund (Prop 99), Breast Cancer Fund, and the California Children and Families Trust Fund (Prop 10).

**SB 576**

**ORTIZ (VETOED, 2005)  
HEALTH CARE COVERAGE: TOBACCO CESSATION SERVICES**

SB 567, sponsored by the American Cancer Society and California Tobacco Control Alliance, would require specified health care service plan contracts and health insurance policies that provide outpatient prescription drug benefits to also provide coverage for tobacco cessation services.

**SB 600**

**ORTIZ (VETOED, 2005)  
BIOMONITORING**

SB 600, sponsored by the Breast Cancer Fund and Commonweal, would establish the Healthy Californians Biomonitoring Program to identify toxic chemicals that are present in the bodies of Californians on a voluntary and confidential basis. The bill would direct the Department of Health Service (DHS) to adopt guidelines and protocols for the program. The bill would require DHS to establish an advisory panel to convey the importance of breastfeeding and to submit a report to the Legislature by January 1, 2010.

- SB 640**      **ESCUTIA (CHAPTER 379, STATUTES OF 2005)**  
**CHILD CARE RESOURCES AND REFERRAL PROGRAMS: FUNDING**  
 SB 640, sponsored by the California Child Care and Referral Resource Network, appropriates \$5 million in federal child development funds to continue local programs of training and technical assistance to child care providers to increase their capacity to care for children with disabilities.
- SB 701**      **MIGDEN (CHAPTER 725, STATUTES OF 2005)**  
**CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES PILOT PROJECT**  
 SB 701, sponsored by the author, creates a five-year child care subsidy pilot project in the City and County of San Francisco to address the particular child care needs and barriers of low-income families in a high cost county.
- SB 782**      **ESCUTIA (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE TUTORING**  
 SB 782, sponsored by the author, would extend the annual general fund appropriation of \$50 million for the Community Based English Tutoring (CBET) Program for one year. It would establish conditions for receipt of this funding and require an evaluation of the CBET program. The bill would encourage family members and others to provide personal English language tutoring to children and raise the general level of English language knowledge in the community.
- SB 840**      **KUEHL (VETOED, 2006)**  
**SINGLE-PAYER HEALTH CARE COVERAGE**  
 SB 840, sponsored by the author, would establish the California Health Insurance System to be administered by the newly created California Health Insurance Agency. The bill would make all California residents eligible for specified health care benefits under the California Health Insurance System. The bill would create within the agency the Office of Health Planning to arrange for the health care needs of the population, and the Office of Health Care Quality to support the delivery of high quality care and promote provider and patient satisfaction.
- SB 869**      **BOWEN (VETOED, 2005)**  
**NURSE-FAMILY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM**  
 SB 869, sponsored by the author, would establish the Nurse-Family Partnership Program, which would be administered and implemented by the Department of Health Services, for purposes of making grants to eligible participating counties for the provision of voluntary registered nurse home visiting services for expectant first-time low-income mothers.
- SB 908**      **KUEHL (FAILED - HELD ON SENATE DESK, 2005)**  
**CHILD CARE: ASSESSMENTS**  
 SB 908, sponsored by the author, would provide legislative intent to reform the reimbursement system for publicly subsidized child care and regularly assess the supply, demand and quality of subsidized and unsubsidized child care. The bill would also require the development of a plan for career advancement and other opportunities for child care providers to improve staff retention and quality of care.
- SB 942**      **CHESBRO (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2005)**  
**CIGARETTE POLLUTION AND LITTER: CESSATION SERVICES**  
 SB 942, sponsored by the author, would enact the Cigarette Pollution and Litter Prevention Act of 2005. The bill would require tobacco manufacturers to pay a fee on July 1, 2006, to the Department of Conservation for each package of cigarettes

sold in the state of California during the previous six months. It would require the fees collected to be deposited into the Cigarette Pollution and Litter Prevention Fund to help offset state and local government with costs associated with the cleanup of cigarette litter. The bill would require the Department of Health Services to develop and implement public education and outreach programs to assist individuals to access and utilize smoking cessation services.

- SB 1118**      **FIGUEROA (FAILED SENATE REVENUE AND TAXATION, 2006)**  
**HEALTH CARE INSURANCE FOR ALL CHILDREN: SODA SALES TAX**  
SB 1118, sponsored by the author, would impose a tax on soda, qualified retailers and excess advertisements on foods of poor nutritional quality to create the Children's Health Insurance Fund. The bill would continuously appropriate money deposited in the fund for children's health care related to obesity, diabetes and other conditions.
- SB 1205**      **ESCUTIA (FAILED ASSEMBLY FLOOR, 2006)**  
**AIR POLLUTION: CHILDREN'S BREATHING RIGHTS ACT**  
SB 1205, sponsored by the author, would increase fines for air pollution and create the Children's Breathing Rights Fund, which would allocate funds to specified organizations promoting asthma care management, asthma prevention activities and lung health.
- SB 1208**      **ORTIZ (VETOED, 2006)**  
**TOBACCO PRODUCTS**  
SB 1208, sponsored by the Office of the Attorney General, would prohibit transportation of cigarettes to persons in California except when such shipments are made to a licensed entity.
- SB 1335**      **SOTO (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**LICENSED COMMUNITY CARE FACILITIES: LICENSING INSPECTIONS: RESIDENTIAL CARE FOR CHILDREN**  
SB 1335, sponsored by the Youth Law Center, would require the Department of Social Services to conduct annual unannounced visits to facilities that provide residential care for children who are under the supervision of a county welfare or probation agency.
- SB 1338**      **ALQUIST (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**CALIFORNIA HEALTH CARE INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY**  
SB 1338, sponsored by the California Council on Science and Technology, would require the California Health and Human Services Agency to establish and operate the California Health Care Infrastructure Program, to improve the quality of health care in California, and to reduce the cost of health care through the advancement of health information technology. The bill would require the agency to submit to the Legislature a plan regarding the opportunity for every resident of the state to have an electronic health care record.
- SB 1403**      **SCOTT (CHAPTER 61, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**MEDI-CAL DENTAL SERVICES: DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS**  
SB 1403, sponsored by the author, eliminates the Medi-Cal pretreatment dental x-ray requirement for beneficiaries who are under four years of age or who are developmentally disabled. The bill states that x-rays or photographs that indicate tooth decay in these beneficiaries are sufficient documentation to establish the medical necessity for treatment provided.

- SB 1405 SOTO (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**MEDI-CAL: INTERPRETER SERVICES**  
 SB 1405, co-sponsored by the Asian Pacific Islander Health Forum, the California Pan-Ethnic Health Network, the California Primary Care Association and the Latino Coalition for a Healthy California, would require the Department of Health Services to establish a task force to take specified actions relating to the provision of language assistance services for Medi-Cal beneficiaries who have limited English proficiency.
- SB 1448 KUEHL (CHAPTER 76, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**HEALTH CARE: UNINSURED PERSONS**  
 SB 1448, sponsored by the author, establishes the Health Care Coverage Initiative (Initiative) to expand health care coverage under specified conditions in California to the extent that federal financial participation is available. The bill establishes persons eligible for the Initiative as low-income uninsured individuals who are not currently eligible for the Medi-Cal, Healthy Families or AIM programs.
- SB 1528 BOWEN (CHAPTER 666, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**MEDI-CAL: COVERED PRENATAL SERVICES**  
 SB 1528, sponsored by the author, provides, until January 1, 2010, home infusion treatments with tocolytic agents for pregnant women are covered under the Medi-Cal program. The bill would require the Department of Health Services, by October 1, 2009, to prepare or contract for the preparation of a report evaluating the medical effectiveness and cost effectiveness of these treatments.
- SB 1534 ORTIZ (CHAPTER 801, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**PUBLIC BENEFITS**  
 SB 1534, sponsored by the author, permits a city, county or hospital district to, at its discretion, provide aid including health care to persons who would meet eligibility requirements for any program of that entity.
- SB 1555 SPEIER (CHAPTER 484, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**PRENATAL SCREENING: UMBILICAL CORD BLOOD BANKING**  
 SB 1555, sponsored by the March of Dimes, expands the existing statewide prenatal screening to include all tests that meet or exceed the current standard of care as recommended by nationally recognized medical or genetic organizations. The bill expands the current triple screen to a quadruple screen to measure the level of a fourth substance in the mother's blood called Inhibin-A, which is elevated in the blood serum of women carrying fetuses with Down Syndrome.
- SB 1567 SOTO (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**ENGLISH LANGUAGE EDUCATION: TEACHER COACHING PROGRAM**  
 SB 1567, sponsored by the author, would establish the English Language Learner Teacher Coaching program until January 1, 2012, to provide English language learner coaching teachers, teaching paraprofessionals and pupils.
- SB 1596 RUNNER (CHAPTER 878, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**NURSE-FAMILY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM**  
 SB 1596, sponsored by the Nurse-Family Partnership, establishes the Nurse-Family Partnership grant program, administered by the Department of Health Services, as a voluntary nurse home visiting program for expectant first-time mothers, their children and their families.

- SB 1600 KUEHL (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**CHILD CARE: REPRESENTATION**  
 SB 1600, sponsored by the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees, would authorize family child care providers to elect organized representation. The bill would establish a program to provide increased reimbursements based on quality criteria, provide "quality enhancements" and higher levels of reimbursements for subsidized child care providers, provide an annual cost-of-living adjustment for state-subsidized child care programs, establish a data collection system for child care supply and demand, and establish a task force to review child care workforce development activities. In addition, the bill would require the California Department of Education to convene a task force, that would include First 5 California, to submit to the Legislature on or before January 1, 2008, findings and recommendations regarding the workforce development of family child care providers.
- SB 1622 ESCUTIA (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAM AND MEDI-CAL: EMPLOYEE ELIGIBILITY**  
 SB 1622, sponsored by the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund, would require the Department of Health Services and the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board to develop, on or before January 1, 2008, a document containing certain information about the Healthy Families and Medi-Cal programs.
- SB 1653 ALARCON (FAILED SENATE EDUCATION, 2006)**  
**PUPIL SUPPORT AND INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS**  
 SB 1653, sponsored by the author, would establish the K-12 Pupil Support Instructional Materials Account within the State Treasury and would authorize the State Board of Education to administer it. The bill would require that an amount of moneys be transferred from the Proposition 98 Reversion Account to the K-12 Pupil Support Instructional Materials Account in the annual Budget Act for the purchase of supplemental instructional materials.
- SB 1688 BOWEN (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**FOSTER CARE: INSTRUCTION AND EDUCATION PILOT PROJECT**  
 SB 1688, sponsored by the author, would require the Department of Social Services to conduct a home instruction pilot project for foster parents and foster children using materials consistent with those created by Home Instruction for Parents of Preschool Youngsters, USA (HIPPY USA).
- SB 1748 FIGUEROA (FAILED - ISSUE RESOLVED IN 2006 BUDGET ACT)**  
**EXPANDED NEWBORN SCREENING**  
 SB 1748, sponsored by the March of Dimes, would require the Department of Health Services to expand statewide genetic screening of newborns to include cystic fibrosis and biotinidase screening.
- SB 1750 VINCENT (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTERS: FUNDING AND AUDITING**  
 SB 1750, sponsored by the California Child Development Administrators Association, would establish accounting rules and auditing practices for child care, developmental centers and agencies that contract with the California Department of Education.

- SB 1764      **RUNNER (FAILED ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**KINDERGARTEN: AGE OF ADMISSION****  
 SB 1764, sponsored by the author, would revise the age of admission to kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> grade so that a child will have to be five years old by September 1 in order to attend kindergarten and six years old by September 1 in order to attend first grade (under current law a child entering kindergarten must turn five by December 2). This would be phased in over a three-year period. The bill would require that any savings realized pursuant to the change in the age of admission to kindergarten first be allocated to the California Department of Education to fund the unmet need for preschool programs and child care and development services in the vicinity of schools ranked in deciles 1 to 3, inclusive of the API. Any remaining funds would be allocated to school districts to offset the reduction in average daily attendance resulting from the change in the age of admission to kindergarten.
- SB 1785      **FIGUEROA (FAILED SENATE APPROPRIATIONS, 2006)**  
**HUMAN MILK****  
 SB 1785, sponsored by the California Hospital Association, would establish hospital standards for the processing of human milk and exempts hospitals which process milk from a mother for the exclusive use of her own child from the licensure requirements of a tissue bank.
- SCA 23      **MORROW (FAILED SENATE BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW, 2006)**  
**APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT****  
 The California Constitution prohibits a government entity from exceeding its annual appropriations subject to limitation; provides for annual adjustments in that limit based on changes in the cost of living and population. The Constitution also governs the transfer and allocation of excess revenues and how appropriations may be adjusted in the event the Governor declares an emergency and is approved by a two-thirds vote of the legislative body. SCA 23, sponsored by the author, would require excess funds collected by the state above these limits to be rebated to the taxpayers on a pro rata basis and changes the legislative approval vote from a 2/3 to a 4/5 vote. This measure would delete excluded items from the definition of "appropriations subject to limitation," which includes First 5 California.
- SCR 31      **SIMITIAN (FAILED - HELD ON ASSEMBLY DESK, 2005)**  
**JOINT COMMITTEE ON THE MASTER PLAN FOR EDUCATION****  
 SCR 31, sponsored by the author, would establish the Joint Committee on the Master Plan for Education to conduct continuous review of the master plan and the conditions of education in California.
- SCR 51      **PERATA (CHAPTER 124, STATUTES OF 2005)**  
**LEGISLATIVE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON AUTISM****  
 SCR 51, sponsored by the author, makes legislative findings on autism and autism spectrum disorders (ASD) and establishes the Legislative Blue Ribbon Commission (Commission) on Autism until November 30, 2007. The Commission is charged with identifying gaps in programs and services related to the education and treatment of individuals with ASD and providing recommendations for planning a continuum of programs, services and funding required to address the current autism epidemic.

- SCR 67**      **SPEIER (CHAPTER 28, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**SHAKEN BABY SYNDROME AWARENESS WEEK**  
SCR 67, sponsored by the Skipper Initiative, recognizes April 16 through April 22, 2006, as “Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Week.”
- SCR 81**      **ALQUIST (CHAPTER 44, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**ASTHMA AWARENESS MONTH**  
SCR 81, sponsored by the author, designates May 2006 as Asthma Awareness Month in order to increase awareness and understanding about asthma and the treatments available and methods for preventing attacks.
- SCR 90**      **TORLAKSON (CHAPTER 73, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**10 STEPS TO A HEALTHY CALIFORNIA**  
SCR 90, sponsored by the author, expresses the Legislature’s support for the “10 Steps to a Healthy California,” including promoting the importance of physical activity and healthy eating.
- SCR 116**     **CEDILLO (CHAPTER 76, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**FOSTER CARE: RECOGNITION**  
SCR 116, sponsored by the author, proclaims May 2006 as “Foster Care Month” and May 2, 2006, as a special day of recognition to honor the teams that work to “change a lifetime” for children and youth in foster care.
- SJR 21**      **MACHADO (CHAPTER 77, STATUTES OF 2006)**  
**SUDDEN CHILD CARDIAC ARRHYTHMIA SYNDROME**  
SJR 21, sponsored by the author, memorializes the President and Congress of the United States to take necessary action to enact HR 1252, thus amending the Public Health Service Act to provide for a program of screenings and education regarding children with sudden cardiac arrhythmia syndromes.
- SR 27**       **MARGETT (ADOPTED, 2006)**  
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## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 264

AUTHOR: CHAN

SEP 28, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning AB 264 without my signature, as the bill is unnecessary.

Existing law and regulations already require health plans to provide coverage for the treatment of asthma as well as effective health education services which include information regarding personal health behavior and health care. Health plans are already providing health education services to members who have pediatric asthma enrollees so another health care mandate is not needed.

Preventing and treating asthma has been an important priority for my Administration. In 2004, I signed AB 2185 (Frommer) to increase the availability and accessibility of essential medical equipment for children with asthma. I provided state funding through my 2005-06 and 2006-07 budgets to launch an expanded state effort to increase and improve California's response to asthma through local projects that work to improve the quality of clinical care, reduce asthma morbidity, and reduce/eliminate asthma health disparities for California children aged 0-18 years with asthma. My Administration has also worked to prevent and treat asthma through legislative and budget efforts to reduce air pollution, coordinating implementation of the states strategic plan for asthma, and Medi-Cal requirements that health plans to provide organized programs, services, functions, and resources necessary to deliver asthma self-management education and training programs for enrollees.

I believe imposing a new mandate on health plans at this time will contribute to rising health care costs making health coverage more expensive and inaccessible to uninsured Californians. The cost of health care is rising at an alarming rate - not just in California but across the nation. I am concerned that without fundamental changes in the system, insurance coverage will become even less affordable for workers and employers. This is why I want to

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see a new health care paradigm that addresses affordability, shared responsibility and the promotion of healthy living. With my partners in the Legislature, I look forward in 2007 to working to develop a comprehensive and systemic approach to health care that supports cost containment, recognizes the shared responsibility of individuals, employers and government.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 624

AUTHOR: MONTANEZ

OCT 7, 2005

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 624 without my signature.

I believe that children should be insured but this bill fails to address a critical question: How to pay for it? At a time when California has a \$7.5 billion structural deficit, this bill would cost the state almost 200 million dollars once implemented without providing a funding source or offering comprehensive children's health reform. As written, AB 624 grants a child presumptive Medi-Cal eligibility until county eligibility workers and HFP make a final determination of the child's eligibility for the programs. This could effectively result in extending indefinitely the current two-month presumptive eligibility period for the Children's Health Disability and Prevention (CHDP) Gateway program. Not only would this generate an undetermined increase in CHDP Gateway costs due to an anticipated increase in enrollment in temporary Medi-Cal, it would discourage a final eligibility determination for and enrollment in comprehensive health coverage programs. In addition, the bill would place a greater responsibility on the counties to follow up on Medi-Cal eligibility and would result in a substantial increase in workload. Finally, this bill does not allow enough time for the Department of Health Services, the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board and the counties to plan and implement all the aspects of the CHDP Gateway application modification.

I have continually stated my interest in providing health coverage to low-income uninsured California children. Consistent with that interest, I have made expanding children's health coverage a top priority in a challenging fiscal time by protecting eligibility for Medi-Cal and the Healthy Families Program (HFP), funding an additional 126,000 children in HFP, and reinstituting community-based certified application assistance to help reach the estimated 428,000 children who are eligible for public programs but not yet enrolled. More broadly, my budget included a \$1 billion increase in funding for health care services for over 7 million low-income Californians already eligible for public programs.

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Providing access to affordable health coverage for California children has been and will continue to be an important priority for me and my Administration. While progress has been made over the past year in expanding coverage, more needs to be done. My Administration is committed to working with the Legislature and stakeholders to find a comprehensive solution to this critical priority for California, but we must do so in a manner that the state of California can afford, is funded, and that effectively targets new investments in proven strategies to provide coverage to California children.

For these reasons, I am returning AB 624 without my signature.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 772

AUTHOR: CHAN

OCT 7, 2005

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 772 without my signature.

I believe that children should be insured but this bill fails to address a critical question: How to pay for it? This bill would cost the state almost a half billion dollars a year without providing a funding source at a time when California has a \$7.5 billion structural deficit.

I have continually stated my interest in providing health coverage to low-income uninsured California children. Consistent with that interest, I have made expanding children's health coverage a top priority in a challenging fiscal time by protecting eligibility for Medi-Cal and the Healthy Families Program (HFP), funding an additional 126,000 children in HFP, and reinstituting community-based certified application assistance to help reach the estimated 428,000 children who are eligible for public programs but not yet enrolled. More broadly, my budget included a \$1 billion increase in funding for health care services for over 7 million low-income Californians already eligible for public programs.

While I share the goal of insuring children in California, I have concerns with certain aspects of the roadmap provided in this legislation and for that reason I am unable to sign AB 772. The measure relies solely on the expansion of state programs as the means to increase health coverage for uninsured children. The measure includes strategies that need to be further analyzed for their relative effect on enrollment, cost effectiveness, and program integrity, and evaluated to ensure that they won't divert resources to administrative processes and investments for already enrolled children. As an example, AB 772 would eliminate documentation and verification requirements for purposes of determining eligibility, despite evidence in other states regarding error rates associated with this approach, the potential for federal disallowances and susceptibility to fraud. Additionally, AB 772 fails to include a funding source for a program that once fully implemented is expected to cost in excess of \$820 million dollars (\$444 million General Fund) annually.

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For these reasons, I am returning AB 772 without my signature.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger





GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 927

AUTHOR: MULLIN

SEP 29, 2005

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 927 without my signature.

I am fully supportive of enabling child care providers to offer programs that most effectively and efficiently serve California's children and families. In fact, many child care providers currently operate full-day programs by combining various child care funding received. This bill would simply codify current practices already outlined in contractual agreements through the California Department of Education. Therefore, I do not believe it is necessary.

For this reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 1478

AUTHOR: FROMMER

SEP 29, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1478 without my signature.

While I strongly support and have sponsored efforts to address the needs of our states growing population of children with autism, this measure duplicates activities funded in the recent Budget Act and already underway in the Department of Developmental Services, and is therefore unnecessary. Specifically, my budget included \$2.7 million to expand the Autistic Spectrum Disorder Initiative to support development and implementation of best practice guidelines for treatment and intervention of autism, establish local resource centers to better support families, and to strengthen regional center capacity to coordinate application of guidelines and improve training and coordination of services at the local level.

For these reasons, I am returning Assembly Bill 1478 without my signature.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 1565

AUTHOR: PAVLEY

OCT 7, 2005

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1565 without my signature.

I completely respect the intentions of the authors of this bill in addressing the need for quality child care programs in California and share their interest in improving the quality of care in the State. However, this bill may not directly address some of the shortcomings in the system.

The Legislature has already requested an audit of the Child Care Licensing Program of the California Department of Social Services that will examine the programs oversight of providers to ensure that child care programs are maintaining a safe environment for kids. The results of that audit may provide more critical areas of concern related to health and safety that should be resolved prior to implementing a study and development of a rating system.

We all share the same goal, and I look forward to working with Assemblymembers Pavley and Benoit in the coming legislative year to address the issue of child care quality.

For these reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 1601

AUTHOR: LAIRD

SEP 29, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1601 without my signature.

Protecting the health and safety of our children is a top priority for me. Children in subsidized child care whose child care provider is a relative, a neighbor or an unlicensed person deserve the same protections as children in licensed child care. Earlier this year I directed the California Department of Social Services to develop regulations to better protect children's safety by requiring criminal background clearance of TrustLine providers before the providers are eligible for payment. The proposed regulations, which I am directing the Department of Social Services to file immediately, assure criminal background checks are completed before child care providers are paid, just like providers in licensed child care facilities must be cleared prior to work. The regulations put child safety first and ensure parents transitioning from welfare-to-work continue to have immediate access to numerous subsidized child care options, including child care centers, licensed care, and care provided by grandparents, aunts and uncles. Since AB 1601 would not require TrustLine providers to complete a criminal background check before they are paid in the timeline our children deserve, I am returning it without my signature.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 1873

AUTHOR: TORRICO

SEP 30, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 1873 without my signature.

California's Safe Surrender Law provides an emergency alternative for a woman in crisis who, statistics show, may otherwise abandon, abuse, or kill her baby. The current 72-hour period contained in California statutes allows for a no questions asked safe surrender of a newborn and is supported by research and statistics that indicate that most neonaticide occurs within the first day. Some experts have raised concerns about this bill, which I share, that instead of improving child safety, increasing the time that a baby may be surrendered from 72-hours to 30-days, will have the opposite effect, putting newborns in greater risk by keeping them in an unsafe environment without proper care and supervision.

For these reasons, I am returning this bill without my signature.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 2065

AUTHOR: LIU

SEP 28, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2065 without my signature.

This bill requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop and the State Board of Education (SBE) to adopt, library content standards. The content standards that the SBE has heretofore adopted define the academic content that a student at each grade level should know, for various subjects. The library content standards that this bill would require the SBE to adopt, however, do not meet the definition of our states academic content standards.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 2108

AUTHOR: EVANS

SEP 28, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2108 without my signature.

As the father of four, I am very supportive of laws designed to protect children. Unfortunately, simply increasing the maximum age requirement for children to be restrained by vehicle booster seats, as proposed by AB 2108, will do little to actually better protect our children.

Parental responsibility is the key to protecting our children. Studies from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) show overwhelmingly that driver restraint use is the strongest predictor of child restraint use. It is most often the case that those that use seatbelts themselves also properly restrain their young passengers. Conversely, those who disregard seatbelt laws also fail to properly secure their children. If all adults responsible for young children were to comply with current laws related to child restraint systems, many tragic injuries and deaths could be avoided. As such, the way to better protect our children is through education of and compliance with existing laws, not the addition of new ones.

Therefore, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 2248

AUTHOR: COTO

SEP 29, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2248 without my signature.

While I strongly support the Reading First program, this bill does not adequately address the concerns that I stated in my veto message included in item 6110-126-0890 of the Budget Act of 2006. In my veto message I stated that I would support legislation that extended the availability of funding for the existing cohorts for the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> years. This bill limits the availability of funding for the existing cohorts to 2007-08, which only ensures funding for the sixth year to cohort one and would result in cohort four only being eligible to receive three years of funding. My Administration has continuously advocated that to the extent the federal funds remain available, school districts that are successfully implementing the Reading First program should be able to participate in the program for six years in order to make the school-wide permanent cultural changes to reading instruction.

Further, this bill attempts to create an accountability system for the Reading First program. However, because this bill is technically flawed, it is likely that this bill would only cause confusion at the local level and not result in any further accountability. Moreover, the federal government has already set accountability requirements for this program so it is redundant and unnecessary to have an accountability process at the state level as well.

Therefore, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger





## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 2317

AUTHOR: KORETZ

SEP 29, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2317 without my signature.

As crafted, the bill is technically flawed. It will not result in an effective community awareness campaign because it establishes program parameters and a time frame that are not workable and lacks proper funding.

I commend efforts of high profile spokespersons, professional organizations and others who have done important and productive work to bring attention to this significant condition that afflicts so many new mothers. To improve access to this information, I have directed the CDHS to provide a link on their website to credible national professional organizations and to distribute materials developed by these organizations in trainings and through specific county Maternal, Child and Adolescent Health programs.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 2802

AUTHOR: PAVLEY

SEP 30, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2802 without my signature.

The bill establishes an optional early childhood education (ECE) credential for grades K-2 to be incorporated into the multiple subjects teaching credential. Such a credential would merely show that the multiple subjects credential holder has completed a program emphasis on ECE. This information can be shared in the application and interview process. Adding another credential only complicates a credentialing process already in need of streamlining.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: AB 2881

AUTHOR: MULLIN

SEP 29, 2006

To Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 2881 without my signature.

As is evidenced by my targeted preschool initiative that was enacted through AB 172 this year, I am an advocate for providing working families the opportunity for a preschool program that takes into account the need for full day accommodation. However, last year I vetoed a nearly identical bill as this one, AB 927 (Mullin). Changing the name of the preschool program and codifying existing practice already outlined in contractual agreements with the California Department of Education is not the most effective way to accomplish the goals of this bill. My Administration is committed to working with early childhood development, pre-K professionals, and other stakeholders to continue to advance the goals of this bill.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: SB 23

AUTHOR: MIGDEN

OCT 7, 2005

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 23 without my signature.

Senate Bill 23 would require the Employment Development Department (EDD) to forward a notice about eligibility and enrollment for Healthy Families and Medi-Cal programs to all employers for purposes of distributing the information to all employees.

I agree with the overall objective of this bill to increase enrollment of eligible children in the Medi-Cal and Healthy Families programs. In fact, the budget I signed funds a more effective and targeted enrollment effort. At my direction, the Healthy Families certified application assistance program that has proven to be an effective means to successfully enroll eligible children in the

Healthy Families and Medi-Cal programs has been reinstated. I am concerned that the approach in S B 23 would be inefficient and ineffective. SB 23 requires the widespread distribution of a mandated notice to all employers, regardless of whether the employees and their families already receive health coverage or qualify for these public programs. This approach is not strategically designed to focus on the harder-to-reach and under enrolled populations.

This bill would require the Managed Risk Medical Insurance Board (MRMIB) to develop a process by which family contributions to the Healthy Families Program may be deducted from a financial account and a process for deduction from an applicants pay. These regulations are unnecessary. MRMIB has had an electronic fund transfer mechanism in place for more than a year. In addition, MRMIB anticipates implementation of payroll deduction system in 2006.

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Finally, this legislation does not include resources to fund the outreach, marketing, and additional reporting activities, activities that cannot be absorbed by affected departments in light of current state budgetary constraints.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: SB 72

AUTHOR: COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND FISCAL REVIEW

OCT 7, 2005

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 72 without my signature.

While I support all efforts to ensure that English Learners attain English proficiency as rapidly as possible, this bill would appropriate \$20 million for supplemental instructional materials that is in addition to the \$30 million appropriation that was authorized a year ago. Despite being appropriated more than a year ago in the 2004-05 Budget Act, the funds are only now being apportioned to school districts this month, with the final apportionment to arrive in the spring of next year. Clearly, the additional \$20 million appropriated in this bill is premature. It would be more prudent to determine whether the materials school districts eventually purchase are, in fact, effective in helping students gain English language proficiency before authorizing an additional \$20 million.

For this reason, I cannot support the bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: SB 576

AUTHOR: ORTIZ

OCT 7, 2005

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 576 without my signature.

I fully support efforts to help Californians stop smoking. Due to a successful aggressive anti-tobacco campaign, California's smoking rate has decreased to 15.4 percent, a 32.5 percent decline since 1988. California is second only to Utah in terms of having the fewest smokers. A key priority of my Administration is to increase access to affordable health insurance. An independent analysis of SB 576 by the University of California Health Benefits Review Program indicates that this bill would impose costs of \$77 million on employers, plans and individuals but only increase the utilization of the benefit by two-tenths of one percent. Additionally, while more than 55 percent of insured Californians already have tobacco cessation coverage; only ten percent of smokers trying to quit utilize the benefit. This bill reflects a difficult policy choice: focus on providing access to affordable health insurance products that an average Californian can purchase or impose a mandate that every person or employer that pays for health insurance pays a higher premium to cover costs for a universally offered tobacco cessation benefit. Mandating coverage is not the appropriate approach to take at this time. I believe we should build upon California's anti-smoking success and encourage plans to get more smokers to utilize existing tobacco cessation benefits and persuade additional plans to include tobacco cessation benefits on a voluntary basis. I invite the sponsors of SB 576 and the healthcare industry to work with my Administration through the Department of Health Services and the Department of Managed Health Care to challenge each other to develop affordable and efficient strategies that will further reduce smoking in California without increasing the cost of health insurance.

For the above reasons, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: SB 600

AUTHOR: ORTIZ

OCT 7, 2005

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 600 without my signature.

I care deeply about the health and welfare of all Californians. Science based research is essential to better understand how the three main factors: behavior, environment, and genetics, interact to influence our health.

While the intent of this measure is worthy, this bill does nothing more than require a study, and a flawed one at that. The bill will only provide a partial snapshot of chemicals present in tested participants without proper context of what the presence of specific chemical means or how it interacts with other health factors. In response, Californians may take an action that is adverse to their health and the health of their family based on incomplete information. For example, despite the facts that health experts extol the virtue and benefits of breast feeding, a new mom may choose not to breastfeed her infant for fear that a small amount of chemicals in her body may transfer to the child, depriving the infant of nutrients, disease preventing antibodies, and a reduced risk of obesity.

Any biomonitoring program must be built on a sound scientific foundation in order to provide information that can be further evaluated to direct additional research. If the program is flawed in any manner, the resources we direct towards it would essentially be wasted.

Because a properly constructed biomontoring program could yield useful data for researchers, I am directing my Secretaries of Health and Human Services and California Environmental Protection Agencies, working with our University and academic institutions, to develop a comprehensive approach to the laudable goals of this bill.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger





## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: SB 840

AUTHOR: KUEHL

SEP 22, 2006

To the Members of the California State Senate:

While I commend Senator Sheila Kuehl's commitment and dedication to providing health care coverage for all Californians, I must return SB 840 without my signature because I cannot support a government-run health care system. Socialized medicine is not the solution to our state's health care problems. This bill would require an extraordinary redirection of public and private funding by creating a vast new bureaucracy to take over health insurance and medical care for Californians - a serious and expensive mistake. Such a program would cost the state billions and lead to significant new taxes on individuals and businesses, without solving the critical issue of affordability. I won't jeopardize the economy of our state for such a purpose. SB 840 relies on the failed old paradigm of using one source - this time the government - to solve the complex problem of providing medical care for our people. It uses the same one-sided approach tried in SB 2, the employer-mandated coverage measure signed into law before I became governor. I opposed SB 2 because it placed nearly the entire burden on employers, and voters repealed it in 2004. I want to see a new paradigm that addresses affordability, shared responsibility and the promotion of healthy living. Single payer, government-run health care does none of this. Yet it would reduce a person's ability to choose his or her own physician, make people wait longer for treatment and raise the cost of that treatment. With my partners in the Legislature, I look forward in 2007 to working to develop a comprehensive and systemic approach to health care that not only provides affordable medical treatment to people when they are ill, but that strives to make sure people don't get sick in the first place. An approach that supports cost containment and recognizes the shared responsibility of individuals, employers and government. That promotes personal responsibility and builds on existing private and public systems. As part of this comprehensive approach, my administration already has worked hard on the fight against obesity, a leading cause of disease in this country. I signed the landmark Healthy Schools Now Act, which bans junk food and sugar-laden drinks in public schools. Our budget included \$18 million to replace that junk

food with fresh fruits and vegetables so we can start promoting healthy living choices for our youngsters. Recently I signed AB 2384 (Leno) to make fruits and vegetables more affordable and accessible in low-income communities and AB 2226 (Garcia) to help inform 7th grade students and their parents or guardian(s) of the risk of Type 2 Diabetes. Our efforts to effectively prevent and detect diseases extend far beyond obesity prevention. I recently signed legislation to ensure early detection of hearing loss through newborn hearing screenings (AB 2651- Jones). Since I've taken office we have expanded newborn health screenings from 33 to 85, dramatically increasing the ability to prevent or detect disease early to keep our children as healthy as possible from the beginning. On the question of access, I've made children's coverage a priority, resulting in nearly a quarter million additional children covered by our Medi-Cal and Healthy Families programs. Building on an \$80 million budget investment to target uninsured children who are eligible, but not enrolled in state health care programs, I signed legislation to eliminate roadblocks to coverage, streamline enrollment for Medi-Cal and Healthy Families and reduce the number of kids that lose coverage due to administrative barriers. (SB 437 Escutia, AB 1948 Montañez, and AB 1851 Coto) And on the question of affordability, I reached agreement with the Legislature to provide discounts on prescription drugs of up to 40 - 60 percent off brand name and generic drugs for our neediest citizens.

But we're not stopping there. I convened a California Health Care Summit in July that for the first time brought together experts on all sides of this issue. At the table with us were representatives from academia, government, business, health care and labor. From that summit and follow-up meetings, there emerged a strong sense of how to proceed on health care reform. Affordability is the key to making our system work for everyone, and affordability is exactly what we are dedicating ourselves to. By implementing a statewide plan advancing health information technology that I called for in a recent executive order, we can shave billions of dollars off healthcare costs in California. By creating the 500 elementary school-based health centers I called for in our Health Summit, medical treatment will be more accessible to our children who need it most and they can avoid costly emergency care. We have made progress toward this goal by enacting legislation (AB 2561 Ridley-Thomas) to support California's school health centers by increasing cross-agency collaboration, gathering data about services delivered in school health centers throughout the state and providing technical assistance to aid in the development of new and existing school health centers. With the same willingness to compromise that we showed this past legislative session on issues like global warming, I know we can reach our goals. I look forward to working with Senator Kuehl and

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other members of the Legislature, as well as the experts who participated in our summit and other stakeholders, to create a healthier California. For these reasons, I am returning SB 840 without my signature.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



## GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: SB 869

AUTHOR: BOWEN

OCT 7, 2005

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 869 without my signature.

In home health education and outreach programs for low-income first-time expectant mothers and their families have been shown to improve the health and development of young children. There are many approaches to home visiting programs, both in terms of duration and the types of professionals providing the service. While I support services to help improve the healthy development of young children, I also believe that a single model may not be the best approach in the diverse communities around this state, both in terms of the appropriateness for the individuals to be served as well as the cost of providing these types of services. Currently some communities have adopted the approach outlined in this legislation, while others are providing similar services through other strategies. Because of the unique needs of our diverse communities, I would encourage the author to work with First 5 California and the local First 5 Commissions since many of these organizations already fund similar programs. Together they may identify other sources of stable funding that would help facilitate the discussion regarding the possible creation of such programs around the state.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger



GOVERNOR ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER

BILL NUMBER: SB 1208

AUTHOR: ORTIZ

SEP 29, 2006

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 1208 without my signature.

This bill would prohibit cigarette sales via the Internet to individual California consumers and only permit shipping of cigarettes via the Internet to state of California tobacco licensed businesses. Existing law reduces youth access to cigarettes over the Internet by requiring Internet sellers and shippers to verify the age of the purchaser, similar rules that apply to alcohol sales and shipments. In addition, the Board of Equalization is currently uses the federal Jenkins Act to recover excise taxes from Californians that have purchased cigarettes via out-of-state Internet websites.

Sincerely,  
Arnold Schwarzenegger

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